

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Agency Information Collection (Notice of Change in Student Status): Activity under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before [Insert date 30 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov or to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0156" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632-7479, FAX (202) 273-0487 or e-mail denise.mclamb@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0156."

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

<u>Title</u>: Notice of Change in Student Status, VA Form 22-1999b.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0156.

<u>Type of Review</u>: Extension of a currently approved collection.

<u>Abstract</u>: Educational institutions use VA Form 22-1999b to report a student's enrollment status. Benefits are not payable when a student interrupts or terminates a program. VA uses the information to determine a student's continued entitlement to educational benefits or if the benefits should be increased, decreased, or terminated.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The *Federal Register* Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on November 1, 2011, at pages 67556-67557.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, and Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Annual Burden:

a.VA Form 22-1999b (Paper Copy) – 16,667 hours.

b.VA Form 22-1999b (Electronically Filed) – 35,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:

a.VA Form 22-1999b (Paper Copy) - 10 minutes.

b.VA Form 22-1999b (Electronically Filed) - 7 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Number of Responses Annually:

a.VA Form 22-1999b (Paper Copy) - 100,000.

b.VA Form 22-1999b (Electronically Filed) - 300,000.

DATED: January 11, 2012

By direction of the Secretary:

Denise McLamb, Program Analyst Enterprise Records Service

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